



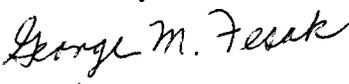
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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2014-C-08 

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: January 24, 2014

Date of Death: January 24, 2014

Operator: Consol Pennsylvania Coal
Company, LLC.

Mine: Bailey Mine

Contractor: Blue Mountain, Inc.

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED], a 46 year old contractor surveyor, was climbing the steps of scaffolding installed between two silos under construction when he fell to the landing between two scaffolding steps. A co-worker found him unresponsive and gasping for breath. CPR was administered and he was transported to a hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The death certificate and the autopsy report indicated that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease. The autopsy found that three of [REDACTED] coronary arteries were blocked greater than 80%. MSHA investigators did not identify any contributory physical or environmental hazards.

Based on the findings of the death certificate, the autopsy report and the MSHA Investigation, the committee members concluded that [REDACTED] died due to natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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